Covina native dies at 101

COVINA — Laura Allison, a lifelong Covina resident whose father, Clarence Allison, built what is now the Covina Playhouse, died Wednesday. She was 101.

Allison was born in Covina on Aug. 15, 1895, and was a longtime city employee.

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She devoted much of her time as a volunteer for Interfaith Community Hospital and was also active in the Republican Party. At her death, Allison was the oldest member of the Covina Women's Club.

Her family, originally from Missouri, came to Covina in 1885. Her first cousin, by marriage, was Dr. J.D. Reed, one of the area's first physicians. Reed's son, Judge Thomas B. Reed, was the first judge at Citrus Municipal Court.

Allison never married and had no children.

She is survived by two nieces, who live in San Francisco and Portland, Ore.

— By Hector Gonzalez